

PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant:

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Serial No.:

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Filed:

July 31, 2003

For:

TUBULAR METAL FITTING EXPANDABLE IN A WALL OPENING AND METHOD OF INSTALLATION

Date:

March 17, 2004

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the due date for filing a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts dated October 30, 2003, be extended from December 30, 2003 to March 30, 2004.

A check for the extension fee of \$475.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) is enclosed. Please charge any additional

extension fees to Deposit Account No. 02-0915. Two duplicate copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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